

MSO202A COMPLEX VARIABLES
Solutions-3

Problems for Discussion:

1. Determine all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ for which the following series is convergent.

a) $\sum \frac{z^n}{n^2}$ b) $\sum \frac{z^n}{n!}$ c) $\sum \frac{z^n}{2^n}$ d) $\sum \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{1}{z^n}$.

Solution:

- (a) Here $\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \rightarrow 1 \Rightarrow R = 1$. The series converges for $|z| < 1$ and diverges for $|z| > 1$. For $|z| = 1$, the series converges as it is then dominated by $\sum \frac{1}{n^2}$.
- (b) As $\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow R = \infty$ and so the series converges for all z .
- (c) As $\frac{a_n}{a_{n+1}} \rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow R = 2$. The series converges for $|z| < 2$ and diverges for $|z| > 2$. Also it diverges for $|z| = 2$ as n -th term does not go to zero.
- (d) Let $w = \frac{1}{z}$, where $z \neq 0$ and apply previous solution to conclude that the series will converge for $|z| > 1/2$, and diverges for all other values.

2. Express the following complex numbers in the standard form $x + iy$ and find their principal value. (a) $(-1 + i\sqrt{3})^i$ (b) $\tan^{-1}(2i)$ (c) $\tan^{-1}(-\frac{i\pi}{2})$

Solution: (a) As $z = -1 + i\sqrt{3} = 2e^{2i\pi/3}$, so $(-1 + i\sqrt{3})^i = e^{iLnz} = e^{i(\ln 2 + i(\frac{2\pi}{3} + 2k\pi))} = e^{i\ln 2} e^{-\frac{2\pi}{3} - 2k\pi}$, with principal value $e^{-\frac{2\pi}{3}} (\cos(\ln 2) + i \sin(\ln 2))$. Here k is an integer.

(b) $z = \tan^{-1}(2i) \Leftrightarrow \tan z = 2i \Leftrightarrow \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}} = -2 \Leftrightarrow e^{-2iz} = -3 = 3e^{i\pi} = e^{\ln 3 + i\pi}$. Hence $-2iz = \ln 3 + i\pi + i2k\pi \Rightarrow z = i\frac{\ln 3}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2} - k\pi$. Here k is an integer. Principal value is $z = i\frac{\ln 3}{2} - \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(c) $\tan z = -\frac{i\pi}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}} = \frac{\pi}{2} \Leftrightarrow e^{2iz} = \frac{1 + \pi/2}{1 - \pi/2} = a$ say. Then $e^{2iz} = e^{\ln a} \Rightarrow 2iz = \ln a + i2k\pi$ or $z = \frac{1}{2i} \ln a + k\pi = \frac{-i}{2} \ln a + k\pi$, with principal value $\frac{-i}{2} \ln a$. Here k is an integer.

3. Find all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $|e^z| \leq 1$.

Solution: For $z = x + iy$, $|e^z| = e^x \leq 1 \Rightarrow x \leq 0$.

4. Find $\cosh(\ln 4)$.

Solution: $\cosh(\ln 4) = \frac{e^{\ln 4} + e^{-\ln 4}}{2} = \frac{17}{8}$.

5. Show that $|\cos z|^2 = \cos^2 x + \sinh^2 y$. Conclude that \cos function is not bounded in \mathbb{C} .

Solution: The first part follows from : $\cos z = \cos(x + iy) = \cos x \cos(iy) - \sin x \sin(iy) = \cos x \cosh y - i \sin x \sinh y$. Since $\sinh^2(y) \geq \frac{e^{2y}}{4}$, $\cos z$ is unbounded on \mathbb{C} .

6. Using the method of parametric representation, evaluate

$$\oint_C f(z) dz$$

for (a) $f(z) = \bar{z}$, (b) $f(z) = z + \frac{1}{z}$, (c) $f(z) = \operatorname{Re} z$ and C is the unit circle centered at origin oriented counterclockwise.

Solution: Let $z = e^{i\theta}$, $-\pi < \theta \leq \pi$. Then

(a)

$$\oint \bar{z} dz = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-i\theta} i e^{i\theta} d\theta = 2\pi i.$$

(b)

$$\oint \left(z + \frac{1}{z}\right) dz = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}) i e^{i\theta} d\theta = i \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (e^{2i\theta} + 1) d\theta = i \left(\frac{e^{2i\theta}}{2i} + \theta\right) \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 2\pi i.$$

(c)

$$\oint \operatorname{Re} z dz = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos \theta i e^{i\theta} d\theta = i \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\cos^2 \theta + i \cos \theta \sin \theta) d\theta = i\pi.$$

7. Verify Cauchy's integral theorem for $f(z) = z^2$ over the boundary of the square with vertices $1+i$, $-1+i$, $-1-i$ and $1-i$, counterclockwise.

Solution : Let $C = \cup_{j=1}^4 C_j$, where C_j , $j = 1, 2, 3, 4$, are the four sides of the square represented as $C_1 : z = x - i$, $dz = dx$, x goes from -1 to 1 . $C_2 : z = 1 + iy$, y goes from -1 to 1 . $C_3 : z = x + i$, x goes from 1 to -1 . $C_4 : z = -1 + iy$, y goes from 1 to -1 . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \oint_C f(z) dz &= \int_{-1}^1 (x-i)^2 dx + \int_{-1}^1 (1+iy)^2 i dy + \int_1^{-1} (x+i)^2 dx + \int_1^{-1} (-1+iy)^2 i dy \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 [(x^2 - 1 - 2ix)dx + (1 - y^2 + 2iy)idy - (x^2 - 1 - 2ix)dx - i(1 - y^2 + 2iy)dy] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Problem for Tutorial:

1. Let R be the radius of convergence of $\sum_n a_n z^n$. Find the radius of convergence of (a) $\sum a_n^k z^n$, (b) $\sum a_n z^{kn}$.

Solution: (a) R^k (b) $R^{\frac{1}{k}}$.

2. Show that $\sin \bar{z}$ and $\cos \bar{z}$ are not analytic function on any domain.

Solution: recall f is analytic iff $\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} f = 0$, f being thought of as a function of z and \bar{z} . Here $\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} \sin \bar{z} = \cos \bar{z}$, which does not vanish identically in any domain, so $\sin \bar{z}$ is nowhere analytic. Similarly, for $\cos \bar{z}$. Alternatively, use CR eqns.

3. Express i^i in the standard form $x + iy$ and find its principal value.

Solution: $i = e^{i(\pi/2 + 2k\pi)} \Rightarrow i^i = e^{i[\ln 1 + i(\pi/2 + 2k\pi)]} = e^{-\pi/2 - 2k\pi}$. Here k is an integer.

Its principal value is $e^{-\pi/2}$.

4. Find the roots of the equation $\sin z = 2$.

Solution: $\sin z = 2 \Leftrightarrow \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i} = 2 \Leftrightarrow e^{iz} - e^{-iz} = 4i$. Set $w = e^{iz}$, to get $w^2 - 4iw - 1 = 0$. So $w = i(2 \pm \sqrt{3})$ now proceed as in previous parts to get $z = \pi/2 + 2k\pi - i \ln(2 \pm \sqrt{3})$.

5. Evaluate the following integrals by parametrizing the contour

(a) $\int_{\mathcal{C}} x dz$ where \mathcal{C} is the line segment joining 1 to i .

(b) $\int_{\mathcal{C}} (z - 1) dz$ where \mathcal{C} is the semicircle (in the lower half plane) joining 0 to 2.

(c) $\int_{\mathcal{C}} \cos(\frac{z}{2}) dz$ where \mathcal{C} is the line segment joining 0 to $\pi + 2i$.

Solution: (a) Let $z = x + iy = x + i(1 - x)$, $dz = (1 - i)dx$ with x goes from 0 to 1. Then $\int_{\mathcal{C}} x dz = \int_0^1 x(1 - i) dx = \frac{1-i}{2}$.

(b) Use the parametrisation $z = 1 + e^{i\theta}$, θ goes from $-\pi$ to 0, and $dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta$. $\int_{\mathcal{C}} (z - 1) dz = \int_{-\pi}^0 e^{i\theta} (ie^{i\theta}) d\theta = 0$.

(c) Using $z = x + iy = x(1 + 2i/\pi)$, $dz = (1 + \frac{2i}{\pi}) dx$ x goes from 0 to π , we get the value to be $e + e^{-1}$.